

public health workers. In the hospitals, not only is it pictured how it reaches the wards, but lights the lamp of knowledge in the teaching departments.

The American Women's Hospitals have done great work in Greece, and the little pamphlet sent to us illustrates how wide now, in Greece, are the various activities not only for specialising in nursing work, but for promoting the health of the people in every possible way. "Of all peoples," it has been said, "the Greeks have dreamed of life the best." Certainly this is so of their ideal of the perfection to which the human body should attain and of the prowess which it should develop.

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### NURSES' MISSIONARY LEAGUE.

We are pleased to receive a copy of "Nurses Near and Far," the useful leaflet issued by "The Nurses' Missionary League," which promotes such invaluable work in the mission field.

Miss Harriet L. Richardson, the devoted General Secretary for so many years, who has been on the sick list for seven months, sends a personal message to her friends. May we soon hear of her convalescence.

#### Recruits for Overseas.

We learn that:—

"In these days when there are so many calls and claims for national service, we need to remember that other call for service in missionary work overseas. There is no less suffering and sickness in Africa and the East because there is a war in Europe; there are hospitals in desperate need of helpers; many missionary sisters are working in terribly understaffed posts. Do any of our members, even in these days, hear the call of God to this work?"

One Missionary Society Secretary writes of 13 vacant posts (three in Africa, one in Palestine, two in Iran, three in India, and four in China) and adds "this list is a relatively short one and would be much longer if (financially) we could tackle the real needs of the work." Another writes: "We are in urgent need of offers of service from nurses holding the State Certificates for both general nursing and midwifery, and who have had experience in posts of responsibility. There are vacancies in China, India and Africa which must be filled as soon as possible."

From a third we hear that "Recruits ARE wanted, and our policy is 'Go forward in faith.' Enquiries from nurses are welcome, and the Candidates Secretary is glad to arrange talks with possible candidates at any stage of training. *Eastern nurses still need the help of their Western sisters!*"

Miss Topping, S.R.N., will be very glad to hear from any volunteers, and to put them in touch with the Societies. Address: 3, St. Augustine's Mansions, Vauxhall Bridge Road, London, S.W.1.

#### Camp.

After making many enquiries in many parts of England, we are planning to hold Camp this year at Newquay, Cornwall, from June 14th to 28th. This is a great venture in these days and there are exceptional difficulties, but we trust that Camp may be a means of real rest, recreation and inspiration to many nurses, as it has been before. The Knowle Links Hotel, where we shall be housed, stands in its own grounds, overlooking the Atlantic; there is bathing direct from the hotel; walks; excursions; opportunities for recreation of all kind. There are Slumberland mattresses on every bed and hot and cold water in every bedroom.

We shall be glad to hear as soon as possible from any who hope to come. We would also remind any friends who cannot come that donations towards expenses, or to help a substitute, would be very welcome.

### THE GENERAL NURSING COUNCIL FOR ENGLAND AND WALES.

A meeting of the General Nursing Council for England and Wales was held at the Offices of the Council, 23, Portland Place, London, W., on March 29th. Dame Ellen Musson, D.B.E., R.R.C., LL.D., presided.

Congratulations were accorded Miss Z. L. Puxley upon her appointment as Assistant Secretary (Acting) at the Ministry of Health, being the first woman to attain such a position. Miss Puxley thanked the Council for their good wishes.

#### Finance.

On the recommendation of the Finance Committee, bills and claims submitted for payment were approved, and the sums of £510 for weekly salaries, £200 for postage stamps, £35 for insurance stamps and £15 for petty cash were allowed.

Various estimates for stationery were accepted.

It was agreed that, in accordance with the Council's Solicitor, no steps be taken at the present time in relation to the Government Compensation Scheme in case of War damage to property.

Sir Henry Gooch asked if there were copies of all important documents lodged in some quite safe place, in case the worst happened and the building were burnt to the ground. He was informed that important documents were in the strong room, and the Architect had a copy of the plans of the building.

The Chairman of the Finance Committee agreed to look into this matter.

#### Registration.

It was reported that copies of the Register of Nurses had been received from the Joint Nursing and Midwives Council for Northern Ireland; the Medical Council of Southern Rhodesia; the Nurses' Registration Board of the Australian Capital Territory (Canberra); and from the Bengal Nursing Council.

It was reported that a copy of the amendments to the Regulations had been received from the Nurses' Board of Victoria, Australia.

Applications for approval for Registration were: General Register, by reciprocity, 14; Supplementary Part of the Register for Mental Nurses, by reciprocity, 1; for Sick Children's Nurses, by reciprocity, 1; for Fever Nurses, by Examination, 7, by reciprocity, 3. Total 26.

It was agreed that 282 nurses who had hitherto failed to pay their retention fee, and now wished their names re-included in the Register, should be reincluded.

#### Education and Examination.

On the recommendation of the Education and Examination Committee it was agreed provisional approval be extended for a further period of one year to two hospitals; and provisional approval of schemes of affiliation be extended for a further period of one year to several institutions.

An interview was reported with representatives of the Board of Education to discuss the qualifications of teachers of the professional subjects in the Pre-Nursing Courses for Part I of the Preliminary Examination. It was agreed that as a temporary measure, for the duration of the War only, a degree course in Biology or Zoology be accepted as sufficient qualification for teachers in Anatomy and Physiology in the Pre-Nursing Courses.

The Board of Education recommended the approval of the following schools for the one-year whole time course of instruction for the purposes of Part I of the Preliminary Examination:—

Southampton Council Grammar School for Girls; Lilley and Stone's Girls' School, Newark; Tonypany Secondary

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